



Recreational Trail Steward
South Puget Sound Region
Recruitment # 2007-01-NRS1

AGENCY MISSION AND CHALLENGE:

The mission of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is to provide professional, forward-looking stewardship of our state lands, natural resources, and environment. DNR provides leadership under the Commissioner of Public Lands, an elected official, in creating a sustainable future for the State Trust Lands.

At the DNR, we envision a future in which our human and natural environment provides abundant and diverse social, ecological, and economic benefits for the people of Washington, in this and all future generations. In acting to ensure the vision, we ensure sustainability.

DNR manages over 5 million acres of state-owned land that includes forest, range, commercial, agricultural and aquatic lands. Since 1970 DNR-managed lands have generated \$6 billion that support public schools, state institutions and county services. These lands also provide public benefits that include fish and wildlife habitat, clean and abundant water and public access to outdoor recreation. The DNR operates with a biennial budget of approximately \$400 million and has over 1300 employees. For more information about the department, see the DNR website at www.dnr.wa.gov

Job Classification:

Natural Resource Specialist 1 (This recruitment will be used to fill two positions)

Type of Position:

These are permanent positions.

The positions are represented by the WPEA. Once appointed to this position the incumbent will be required to pay union dues or other representation fee within the first 30 days of employment.

Monthly Salary Range:

\$2712 – \$3450

Benefits Package:

Health and dental insurance, retirement pension, vacation, sick leave and holidays

Posting Date:

January 3, 2007

Closing Date:

January 17, 2007

Location:

Belfair, WA

POSITION PROFILE

This position supports the mission and goals of DNR through the state land management program. Responsibilities include performing as the recreation trail steward responsible for program development, coordination and oversight of education, enforcement, outreach, management of recreational and public access activities, and maintenance projects. The person in this position supervises the Forest Watch program and offers volunteer program support for a geographic unit within the South Puget Sound Region. This position also supports the mission and goals of the fire suppression program within the DNR.

This position reports to the Belfair Public Use Forester based at the Mission Creek workstation. The position works closely with the Tahuya Focus group, Forest Watch Coordinators, volunteers, Natural Resources Investigators, unit field staff, other agencies, and public use partners.

REQUIRED POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

- Familiarity with the principles and practices of recreation management, knowledge of how public involvement fits into the landscape.
- Ability to work collectively and or independently to meet position objectives.
- Highly developed planning, writing, oral communication, and public presentations skills including the ability to present information for grants, community groups and effective public contact in both small and large group settings.
- Fluency in current word processing, spreadsheet, and presentation software.
- Ability to diffuse difficult situations or individuals.

The level of knowledge and skill is **typically** achieved with:

- A Bachelor's degree in recreation, natural resources, forestry, or closely related field; and
- Two years professional or technical recreation management focused on user education and outreach.

DESIRED POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

- Familiarity with Washington Department of Natural Resources public use, natural areas and trust land management responsibilities and practices.
- Prior experience in managing large landscapes with complex levels of public use and interest.
- Knowledge of outdoor recreation activities, especially trail use/maintenance/design, campground use/maintenance/design, trailhead use/maintenance/design, and similar activities.
- Additional education specializing in recreation, law enforcement or public use.

SPECIAL POSITION REQUIREMENTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS

- Ability to work on uneven terrain in all weather conditions.
- Travel is required for this position.
- Must have a valid driver's license and have two years of driving experience.
- Must be at least 18 years of age at the time of hire.
- Must be able to pass the Forest Warden and Police Powers training within six months of hire.

WHO MAY APPLY

This recruitment is open to anyone who meets the required qualifications for this position.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To be considered for this position, please submit:

- A letter of interest describing how your experience and qualifications relate to the job profile and the required and desired position qualifications. Indicate in your letter of interest how you learned of this opportunity.
- A completed application – www.dnr.wa.gov/jobs/stateapp.doc

The first screening will be based on information contained in your letter of interest and your state application.

Submit all materials by the closing date to:

Electronic method preferred

Gretchen.Murray@dnr.wa.gov

OR other method

WA Department of Natural Resources
ATTN: Gretchen Murray
950 Farman Avenue N
Enumclaw, WA 98022

NOTE: Please indicate Recreational Trail Steward, 2007-01-NRS1 in the subject line of your e-mail.

By submitting the application materials you are indicating that all information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. You understand that the state may verify information and that untruthful or misleading information is cause for removal from applicant pool or dismissal if employed.

Questions? Please contact Gretchen Murray at (360) 802-7026 or e-mail us at DNRrecruiting@wadnr.gov.

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